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1. Introduction

The U.S. Army is very interested in monitoring the health of equipment in the field. The Army, in general, wishes to reduce operating cost, while the commander in the field is concerned about availability of equipment for operations, as well as arranging for logistical support to minimize downtime. To these ends, the U.S. Army Research Laboratory (ARL) has been investigating methods for health monitoring and assessment, with an emphasis on high value/high risk and high volume/high maintenance items. In the case of high volume and the high maintenance items, the overall cost can be significantly reduced simply due to the extensive amount of time and resources it costs to maintain them. The Caterpillar C7 engine fits into the category of high maintenance and moderate-to-high volume, thereby making it a good candidate for study. In the spring and summer of 2010, the U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC) performed “seeded fault” testing of the C7 engine in which a variety of operating parameters were perturbed. Seeded faults in this case describe these perturbations and, in most cases, have not been shown to actually degrade engine performance, nor to permanently damage the engine.

This report is a continuation of previous work on fault detection and classification performed by ARL on the Caterpillar C7 engine (1). It adds to the previous work by including analysis using an autoassociative neural network (AANN) approach. The previous report examined detection and classification using Correlation Analysis and statistics from linear Principal Component Analysis (PCA). The PCA statistics, T-Square, and Square Prediction Error (SPE), showed good results, but we believed that improvements could be made because of the suspected nonlinearity in sensor correlations. The AANN approach is a proven way of implementing nonlinear PCA (3). The data used in this analysis is the same as that used in the PCA analysis of reference 1.

2. Experimental

A military version of the Caterpillar C7 diesel engine (Model C7 DITA) was installed and instrumented in a dynamometer (dyno) test cell at TARDEC’s facilities in Warren, MI (figure 1). The basics of the setup and data collected are described here; for a detailed description of the experiment, see reference 2. The test cell supported provision of fuel, coolant, inlet air, and exhausting of the engine, as well as a load (eddy current dyno, computer controlled). Data were collected from a variety of data acquisition systems. The data acquisition systems were coordinated in time and time-stamped, but generally operated autonomously from each other at different sampling rates and, therefore, required synchronization in data processing later on. Sources for the data included existing engine sensors, test cell sensors, and a few installed

sensors. The data from the existing sensors were extracted from the controller-area network (CAN) vehicle bus. The data from the test cell sensors included such items as exhaust temperature and were recorded by the cell data acquisition system (DAQ). The test cell data were recorded at close to the same rate as the CAN data. The data from the installed sensors were recorded by a separate DAQ at a much higher rate and are referred to as “analog data”. A small portion of the data that is referred to as “digital data” is primarily used for timing. There were also sensors inserted and data collected by the Pennsylvania State University (Penn State) Applied Research Laboratory. Both the CAN and dyno data were collected at a relatively low rate and provided to ARL at 1 Sample/s, and could be monitored continuously during a test run. The analog data were collected at 10 kiloSamples/s and, due to the high rate, “snapshots” of data of between 1 and 30 s were collected at select times during a test run. The Penn State data were collected independently of the TARDEC data at 102.4 kiloSamples/s.

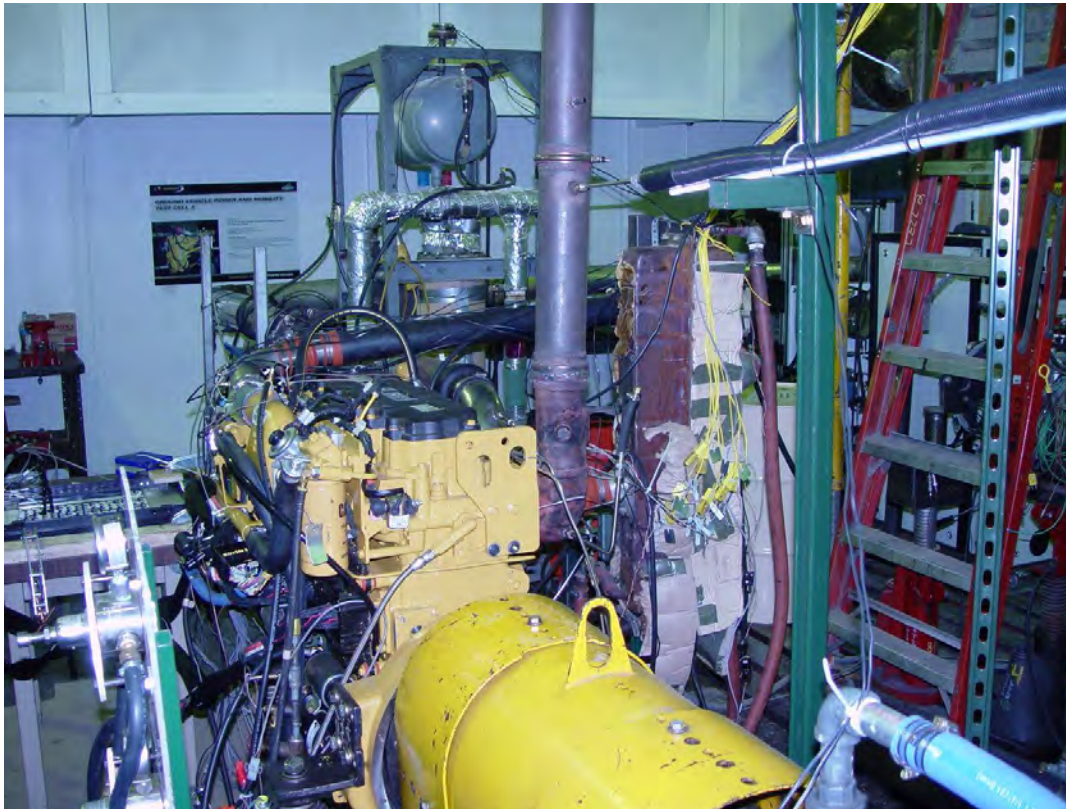


Figure 1. Instrumented CAT 7 engine in the TARDEC test cell.

Test runs were performed with various seeded faults and no fault cases. A test run consisted of running the engine through a stepwise sequence of designated speeds for a short time at each speed, as shown in figure 2, all with either no fault or with a particular seeded fault. The engine speeds with associated duration were duplicated for all the tests. It should be noted that the time duration at a given speed set-point was not precisely controlled.

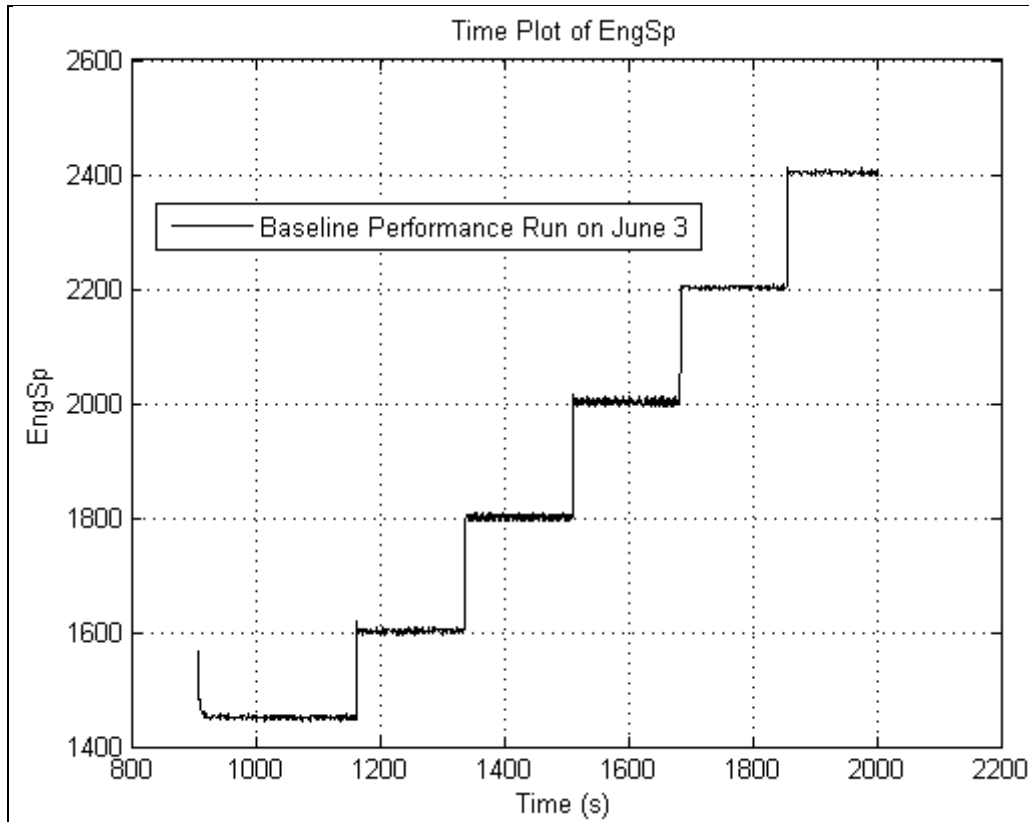


Figure 2. Typical stepped control of engine speed for a performance run.

3. Data for Analysis

The data described here is identical to the data used in the PCA analysis of reference 1; it is repeated here for clarity. The focus of this analysis is on the performance test data since these files have several baseline runs, along with several seeded fault runs. Baseline runs were test sequences at the beginning of a test day in which there was no fault but the standard test sequence was followed, and as such are viewed as “healthy states.” Table 1 shows the 15 baseline runs that were identified. For PCA and AANN-based methods, training data is required; the first column of table 1 shows the runs that were selected for training (50% of the runs, randomly selected). Table 2 shows the 33 seeded fault performance runs; however, three of these test runs are considered a baseline condition since their gain was set to 1.0, which is the nominal value. As a note, several files contained more than one run, where the additional runs were various levels of the same fault type.

Table 1. Baseline performance runs.

| Baseline Performance Test # | Date | MatLAB File Name | Run # in File | Train (0) or Test (1) |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Training 1 | May 27, 2011 | PerfM3_JP8_May27_ext | 1 | 0 |
| Training 2 | May 27, 2011 | PerfM3_JP8_May27_ext | 2 | 0 |
| Test 1 | June 1, 2011 | Perf_Jun1_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Training 3 | June 3, 2011 | Perfor_Jun3_ext | 1 | 0 |
| Training 4 | June 8, 2011 | Perfor_Jun8_par | 1 | 0 |
| Test 2 | June 10, 2011 | Perfor_Jun10_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Training 5 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor_Jun15_ext | 1 | 0 |
| Test 3 | June 16, 2011 | Perfor_Jun16_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Test 4 | June 22, 2011 | Perfor_C_Jun22_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Test 5 | June 29, 2011 | Perfor_jun29_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Test 6 | July 1, 2011 | Perf_Jul1_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Training 6 | July 6, 2011 | Perfor_Jul6_ext | 1 | 0 |
| Training 7 | July 8, 2011 | Perfor_Jul8_ext | 1 | 0 |
| Test 7 | July 27, 2011 | Perfor_Jul27_ext | 1 | 1 |
| Test 8 | August 3, 2011 | Perfor_ext3_ext | 1 | 1 |

Table 2. Seeded fault performance runs.

| Test # | Date | MatLAB File Name | Fault Type | Run in File | Severity |
|--------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 9 | May 27, 2011 | PerfM3_IntRestr_May27_ext | IntakeAir Restrict Test | 1 | Pos # 4 |
| 10 | May 27, 2011 | PerfM3_IntRestr_May27_ext | IntakeAir Restrict Test | 2 | Pos # 6 |
| 11 | June 8, 2011 | PerfM3_OilP_Jun8_par | OilPress High Gain | 1 | Gain 1.0 |
| 12 | June 8, 2011 | PerfM3_OilP_Jun8_par | OilPress High Gain | 2 | Gain 0.7 |
| 13 | June 8, 2011 | PerfM3_OilP_Jun8_par | OilPress High Gain | 3 | Gain 1.3 |
| 14 | June 10, 2011 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | Air Charge Temperature Increase | 1 | Increased by 20°F |
| 15 | June 10, 2011 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | Air Charge Temperature Increase | 2 | Increased by 30°F |
| 16 | June 10, 2011 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | Air Charge Temperature Increase | 3 | Increased by 50°F |
| 17 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | 1 | Pos # 2 |
| 18 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | 2 | Pos # 3 |
| 19 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | 3 | Pos # 4 |
| 20 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_B_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction High | 1 | Pos #5 |
| 21 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_B_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction High | 2 | Pos #6 |
| 22 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_C_AirChgT_high_Jun15_ext | AirChgHigh | 1 | |
| 23 | June 15, 2011 | Perfor3_C_AirChgT_high_Jun15_ext | AirChgHigh | 2 | |
| 24 | June 16, 2011 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | 1 | |
| 25 | June 16, 2011 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | 2 | |
| 26 | June 16, 2011 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | 3 | |
| 27 | June 29, 2011 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | 1 | Pos #5 |
| 28 | June 29, 2011 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | 2 | Pos #6 |
| 29 | June 29, 2011 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | 3 | Pos #7 |
| 30 | July 6, 2011 | PerforM3_B_BoostG_Jul6_ext | Boost | 1 | Gain 0.85 |
| 31 | July 6, 2011 | PerforM3_B_BoostG_Jul6_ext | Boost | 2 | Gain 0.95 |
| 32 | July 6, 2011 | PerforM3_B_BoostG_Jul6_ext | Boost | 3 | Gain 1.00 |
| 33 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 1 | 60% |
| 34 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 2 | 55% |
| 35 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 3 | 50% |
| 36 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 1 | 42% |
| 37 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 2 | 46% |
| 38 | July 13, 2011 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 3 | 50% |
| 39 | August 3, 2011 | PerforM3_InjPresG_ext3_ext | InjPress | 1 | Gain 1.0 |
| 40 | August 4, 2011 | PerforM3_InjPresG_ext3_ext | InjPress | 2 | Gain 0.9 |
| 41 | August 5, 2011 | PerforM3_InjPresG_ext3_ext | InjPress | 3 | Gain 1.1 |

From the data described, we determined to initially work with the 45 signals from the CAN and dyno. Working with this set of low-cost sensor and CAN bus signals provides a path for a practical onboard implementation, and thus, is conducted prior to considering vibration and other signals for developing health models. Since the signals were from different data acquisition

systems, they had to be aligned and interpolated to the same 1Sample/s acquisition rate, as well as reformatted to allow them to be processed together. The CAN and dyno signals are identified in table 3. The 32 signals highlighted in orange were used in the analysis. The other 13 signals were not included because they are either operating conditions or have a low amount of variability.

Table 3. Signals recorded from CAN and dyno.

| Signal # | Sensor Name | Signal # | Sensor Name | Signal # | Sensor Name |
|----------|--------------|----------|---------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1 | Time | 15 | Fuel Flow | 33 | T-OilGalley |
| 2 | EngSp | 16 | Speed | 34 | P-OilGalley |
| 3 | Load% | 17 | Torque | 35 | ECM1-Boost |
| 4 | EngOilP | 18 | Throttle Pos | 36 | Sensor-Boost |
| 5 | Boost | 19 | Lambda | 37 | ECM1-InjPres |
| 6 | InjCtrlP | 20 | AirFlow | 38 | Sensor-InjPres |
| 7 | EngCoolT | 21 | BB-Torque-Sen | 39 | ECM1-OilPres |
| 8 | IntlManiAirT | 22 | T-IntAirMani | 40 | Sensor-OilPres |
| 9 | Pedal% | 23 | T-aftCompr | 41 | ECM1-EngCoolT |
| 10 | EIPot | 24 | CoolAftEngine | 42 | Sensor-EngCoolT |
| 11 | FuelRate | 25 | T-ExhB4Turbo1 | 43 | ECM1-AirIntlMani |
| 12 | DesEngSp | 26 | T-ExhB4Turbo2 | 44 | Sensor-AirIntlMani |
| 13 | NomFric% | 27 | T-ExhStack | 45 | Event |
| 14 | Load@Sp | 28 | P-AirB4Mani | | |
| | | 29 | P-aftTurbo | | |
| | | 30 | P-ExhB4Turbo1 | | |
| | | 31 | P-ExhB4Turbo2 | | |
| | | 32 | 'P-ExhStack' | | |

The data was collected at steady state operating points in the performance runs. Consequently, for the analysis, the 32 signals highlighted in table 3 were divided into four operating regimes, as shown in table 4. To avoid transient effects, the first and last 20 s in a particular operating regime were not included in the calculations.

Table 4. Operating regimes for analysis.

| Regime No | Engine RPM | Engine Load | Pedal % |
|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|
| 1 | 1620–1820 | 60–100 | 80–100 |
| 2 | 1820–2020 | 60–100 | 80–100 |
| 3 | 2020–2200 | 60–100 | 80–100 |
| 4 | 2220–2420 | 60–100 | 80–100 |

4. Analysis

AANN is an approach for performing nonlinear principal component analysis. Its usage in diagnostics and health monitoring has ranged from sensor diagnostics (4), to aircraft engine health monitoring (5), to diesel engine diagnostics (6). Some researchers classify the AANN method as a multivariate state estimation technique, since the AANN model provides an

estimated sensor value for each sample. As shown in figure 3, a five-layer feed-forward network was employed. It is trained with the same targets and inputs, and is, thus, forced to try to produce the output by only using the small set of nodes in the bottleneck layer.

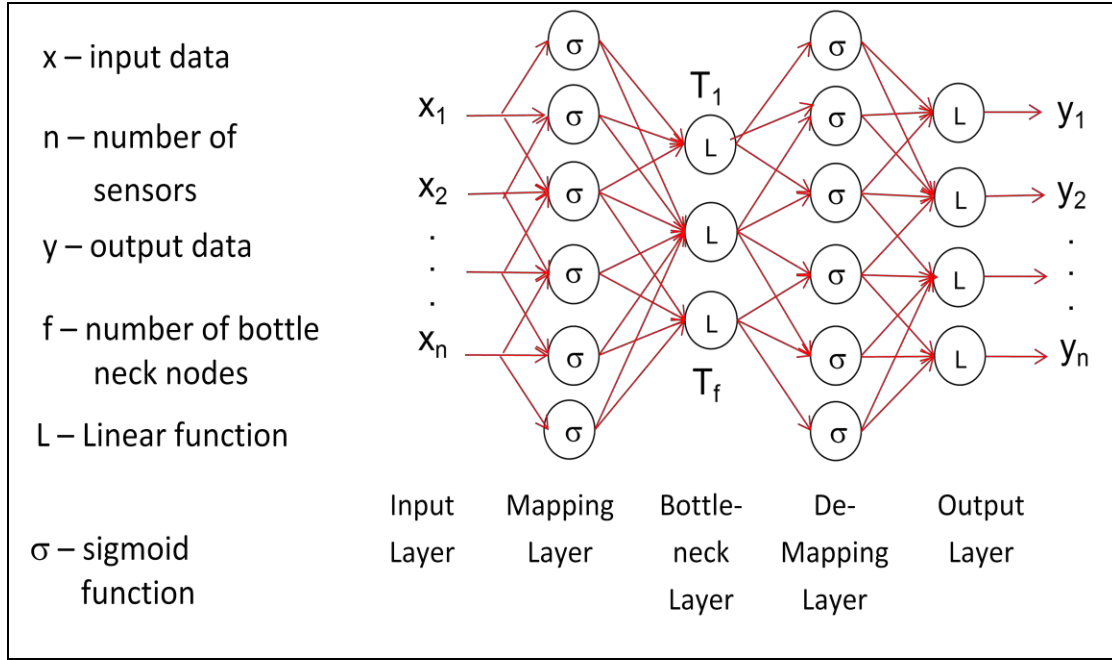


Figure 3. Neural net design. Every node connection is not shown for clarity.

The approach is similar to the PCA-based monitoring method in that both methods map the incoming data into a reduced number of components. The primary differences in AANN are the mapping/de-mapping functions, training, and the evaluation of health. For AANN, the sigmoid functions of the mapping and de-mapping layers can account for nonlinearities in the sensor correlations that are not possible in normal PCA. Also, while training of the PCA models involved a matrix computation and is deterministic, the AANN model is trained using a back propagation algorithm that solves an optimization problem and is not deterministic. And finally, the assessment of health based on the AANN model involves an evaluation of the de-mapped reduced set, while PCA is concerned with the analysis of the reduced set, itself. To be more specific, the AANN model is derived by training the network using healthy data such that the output matches the input; any subsequent healthy data that the model is applied to should show a negligible difference in its output layer values. However, when the model is applied to faulted data, a difference in the output layer values is expected to appear. This difference is the basis for the health estimate of the AANN method. The AANN method is computationally much more time consuming than PCA. The steps in the process are listed as follows:

1. Select regime and signal subset (four regimes).
2. Specify a training data set, defined as a portion of the baseline/healthy data, and normalize the data by subtracting the mean and dividing by the standard deviation.

3. Train the AANN models for each regime.
4. Save the AANN models and normalization information.
5. Normalize all the sensor data using the training normalization information.
6. Calculate the AANN-based SPE health value and the mean of these for each block of data (6).

The network consisted of a $32 \times 12 \times f \times 12 \times 32$ architecture. The same 32 sensor signals were used in the PCA analysis of reference 1. The number of nodes, f , in the bottleneck layer was varied to evaluate the performance of the network by checking the health assessment results. The value of f was varied from 1 to 10; a bottleneck layer with $f = 8$ was compared to the PCA model of reference 1, since the PCA model had 7 to 8 principle components retained. The number of mapping and de-mapping nodes could have been varied, but were maintained at 12 because, generally, the number of bottleneck nodes has more influence on the model performance (6). The network was trained with baseline data from each of the four operating regimes. More specifically, the training set was defined to be 50% of the baseline data, where a random number generator was used to select which runs were used. The default training settings in the Matlab neural network toolbox were used and appeared to work well; however, adjustment of these settings could be considered for future work.

To monitor engine health and to determine which sensors are contributing more to the degraded engine performance, the traditional AANN approach is used—that is, to monitor SPE and examine the residuals. The residuals, E , are calculated based on equation 1 and are the difference between the modeled and actual data values:

$$\{E\}_{1:n} = \{x_n\}_{1:n} - \{y\}_{1:n}, \quad (1)$$

where n are the number signals, $\{x\}_{1:n}$ are the actual signal values, and $\{y\}_{1:n}$ are the modeled values. SPE is the sum of the residuals squared (summed from residuals for each sensor), equation 2:

$$SPE = \sum_{i=1}^n E_i^2 \quad (2)$$

To evaluate health of the system based on the SPE, a threshold must be established above which the engine will be considered to be in a faulted state. A meaningful threshold can be obtained with the application of a receiver operating curve (ROC Curve). The ROC Curve is a common way of showing classification/detection results as a function of false positives and false negatives as a threshold is varied (7). Figures 4–7 show a series of ROC Curves for various values of the bottleneck nodes for each regime. Table 5 lists best performing node counts for each regime for a 0% false alarm rate. The corresponding detection rate is also provided.

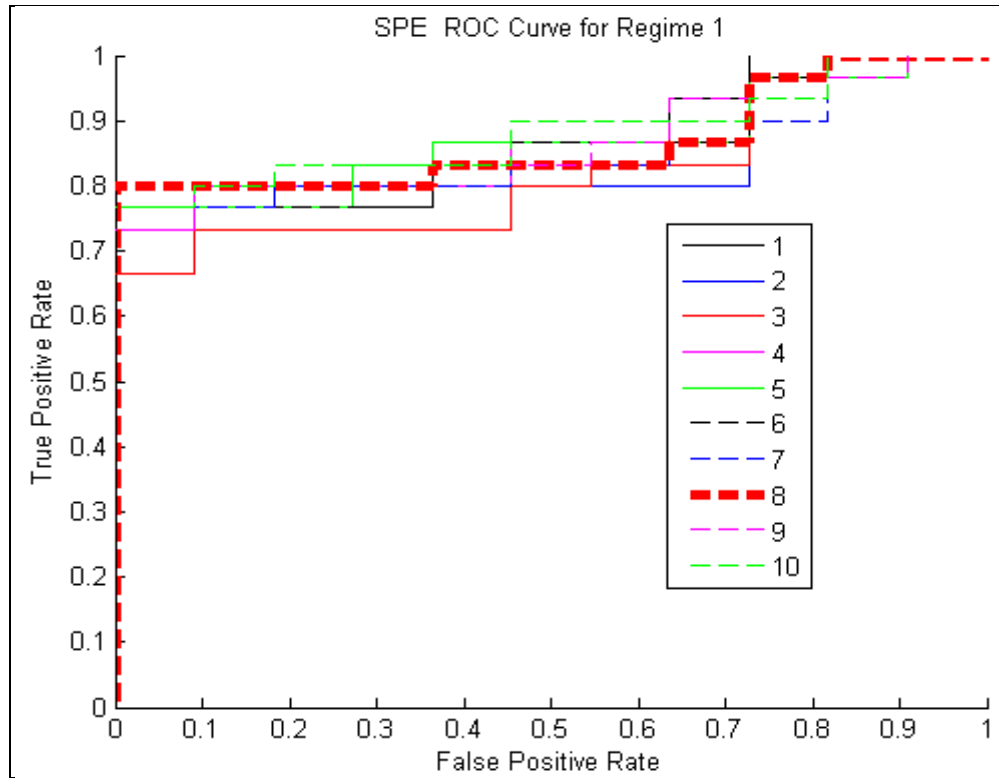


Figure 4. AANN SPE ROC curves for various bottleneck node counts for Regime 1.

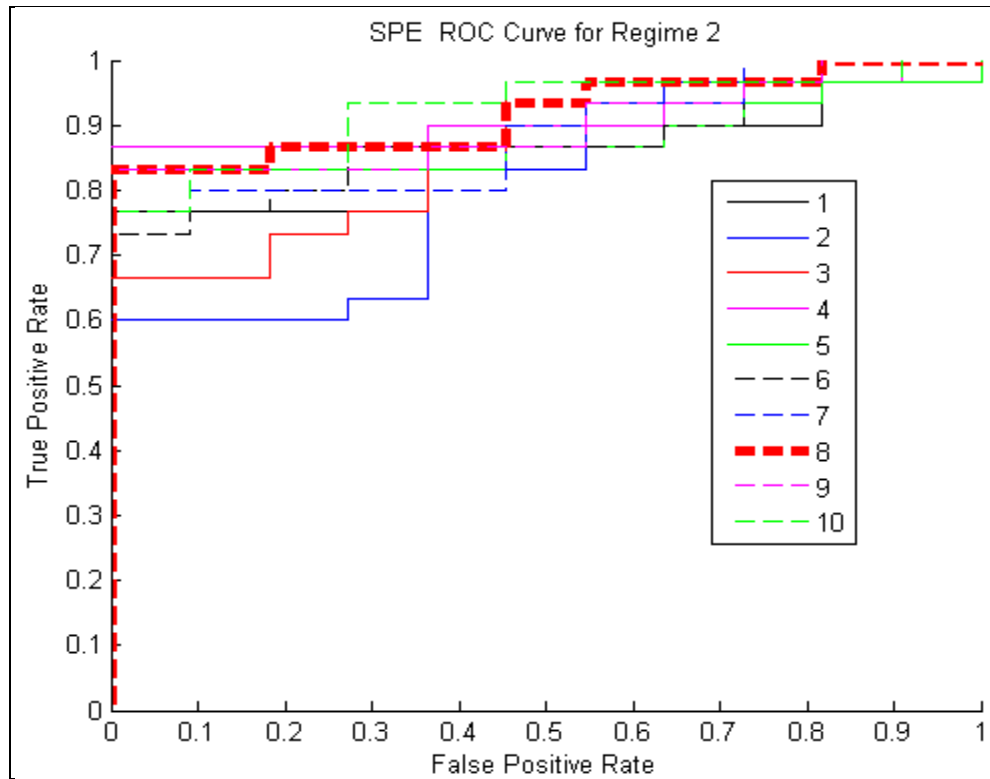


Figure 5. AANN SPE ROC curves for various bottleneck node counts for Regime 2.

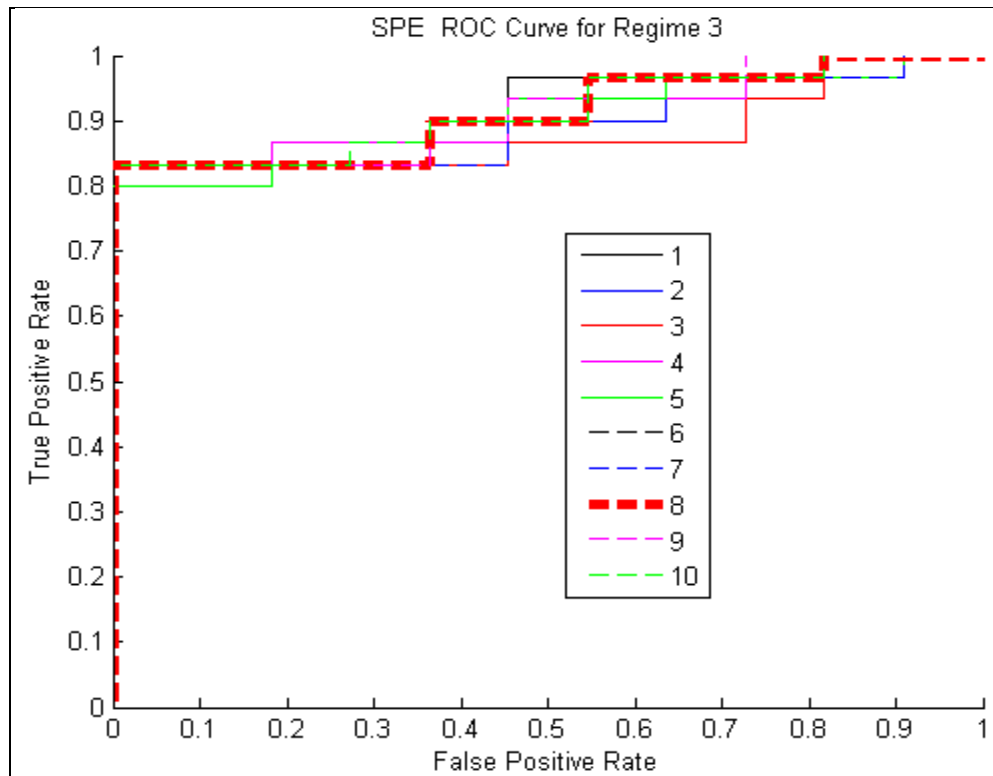


Figure 6. AANN SPE ROC curves for various bottleneck node counts for Regime 3.

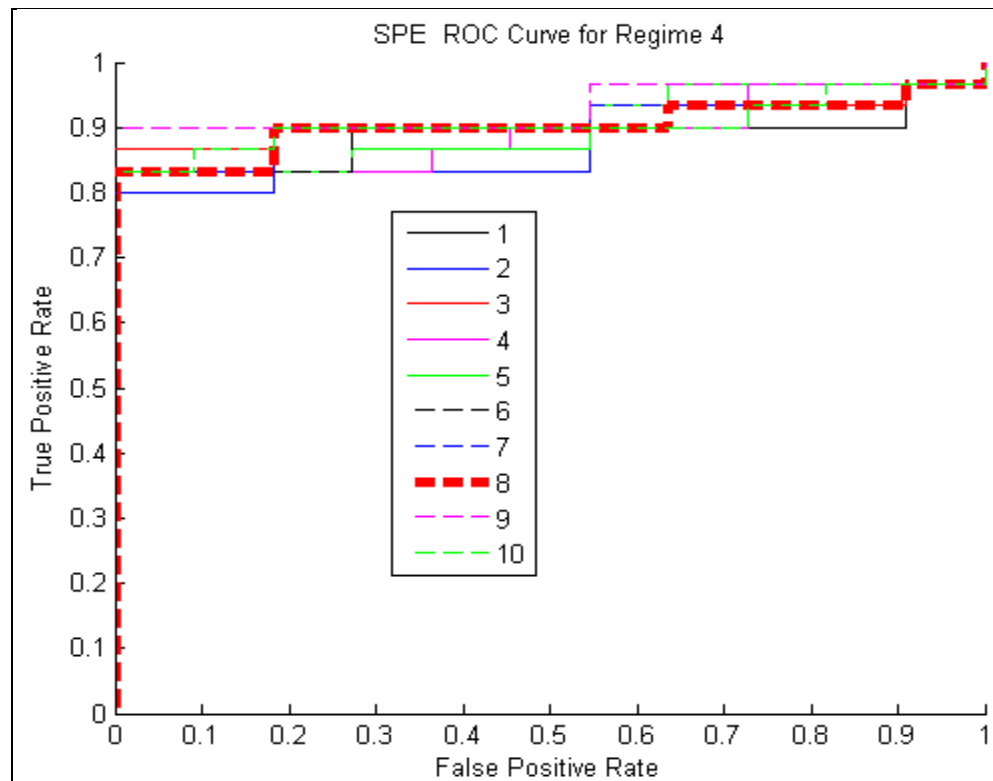


Figure 7. AANN SPE ROC curves for various bottleneck node counts for Regime 4.

Table 5. AANN Optimum bottleneck node count and detection results (for 0% false positives).

| Regime No | Best node count, f | False Positives (%) | Detection Rate % |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 80 |
| 2 | 4 | 0 | 90 |
| 3 | 1–10 (except 5) * | 0 | 83.3 |
| 4 | 9 | 0 | 90 |

*All, except 5, had an equal detection rate. 5 nodes gave a detection rate of 80%.

As is shown in the figures, all bottleneck node counts gave good detection rates for all regimes (greater than 75% True Positives for 0 False Positives), except node counts of 2, 3, and 6 for regime 2. An additional measure of node count performance, calculating the Area under the ROC Curve for each node count, which spans the full trade space, was not performed because the lack of variation was obvious. A bottleneck layer node count of 8 provides good results for all regimes, 0 false positives with a detection rate of 80–83.3%. It also provides for a direct comparison to the PCA method used in reference 1. Eight PCs were selected in that analysis to produce a high-quality SPE statistic (85% of the variance was explained using eight PCs.) Table 6 compares the results of PCA and AANN using a node count of 8 for all regimes. It is seen that there is very little difference between the detection rates for the AANN and PCA methods.

Table 6. Detection rate comparison of AANN and PCA.

| Regime No | False Positives | AANN Detection Rate | PCA Detection Rate % |
|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 0 | 80 | 77 |
| 2 | 0 | 83.3 | 80 |
| 3 | 0 | 83.3 | 86.6 |
| 4 | 0 | 83.3 | 83.3 |

Other results of interest include which sensors contributed most to particular faults and whether AANN could provide a measure of severity within a particular fault type. The contribution results are listed in table 7, where highest contributors are identified in the last 2 columns. The contribution information is of significant value if it is determined that the system should be monitored for a particular fault. Figures 8 and 9 are plots of air restriction and exhaust restriction faults at various levels. The figures indicate that AANN can provide a measure of fault severity.

Table 7. AANN Sensor-fault contribution results.

| Test # | MatLAB File Name | Fault Type | Severity | Q Contribution 1 | Q Contribution 2 |
|--------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 9 | PerfM3_IntRestr_May27_ext | IntakeAir Restrict Test | Pos # 4 | 'T-OilGalley' | 'T-ExhB4Turbo2' |
| 10 | PerfM3_IntRestr_May27_ext | IntakeAir Restrict Test | Pos # 6 | 'ECM1-Boost' | 'Sensor-Boost' |
| 12 | PerfM3_OilP_Jun8_par | OilPress High Gain | Gain 0.7 | 'ECM1-OilPres' | 'EngOilP' |
| 13 | PerfM3_OilP_Jun8_par | OilPress High Gain | Gain 1.3 | 'ECM1-OilPres' | 'EngOilP' |
| 14 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | AirCharge Temp high Shift | Increased by 20°F | 'IntManiAirT' | 'Sensor-AirIntMani' |
| 15 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | AirCharge Temp high Shift | Increased by 30°F | 'IntManiAirT' | 'Sensor-AirIntMani' |
| 16 | PerfM3_AirChgT_Jun10_ext | AirCharge Temp high Shift | Increased by 50°F | 'IntManiAirT' | 'Sensor-AirIntMani' |
| 17 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | Pos # 2 | 'InjCtrlP' | 'Boost' |
| 18 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | Pos # 3 | 'Torque' | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' |
| 19 | Perfor3_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction Low | Pos # 4 | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' | 'AirFlow' |
| 20 | Perfor3_B_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction High | Pos #5 | 'T-OilGalley' | 'P-AirB4Mani' |
| 21 | Perfor3_B_AirRestr_Jun15_ext | AirRestriction High | Pos #6 | 'ECM1-Boost' | 'Sensor-Boost' |
| 22 | Perfor3_C_AirChgT_high_Jun15_ext | AirChgHigh | | 'IntManiAirT' | 'Sensor-AirIntMani' |
| 23 | Perfor3_C_AirChgT_high_Jun15_ext | AirChgHigh | | 'Sensor-AirIntMani' | 'ECM1-AirIntMani' |
| 24 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | | 'T-IntAirMani' | 'ECM1-AirIntMani' |
| 25 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | | 'ECM1-AirIntMani' | 'IntManiAirT' |
| 26 | PerforM3_AirChg_low_Jun16_ext | AirCharge | | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' | 'Boost' |
| 27 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | Pos #5 | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' | 'AirFlow' |
| 28 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | Pos #6 | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' | 'AirFlow' |
| 29 | PerfM3_B_AirIntRes_Jun29_ext | IntRestriction | Pos # 7 | 'Sensor-Boost' | 'ECM1-Boost' |
| 30 | PerforM3_B_BoostG_Jul6_ext | Boost | Gain 0.85 | 'ECM1-Boost' | 'Boost' |
| 31 | PerforM3_B_BoostG_Jul6_ext | Boost | Gain 0.95 | 'Sensor-Boost' | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' |
| 33 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 60% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'T-ExhStack' |
| 34 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 55% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'P-ExhB4Turbo2' |
| 35 | PerforM3_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 50% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'T-ExhStack' |
| 36 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 42% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'ECM1-Boost' |
| 37 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 46% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'T-ExhStack' |
| 38 | PerforM3_B_ExhRestr_Jul13_ext | ExhRestr | 50% | 'P-ExhStack' | 'T-ExhStack' |
| 40 | PerforM3_InjPresG_ext3_ext | InjPress | Gain 0.9 | 'Sensor-InjPres' | 'T-ExhB4Turbo2' |
| 41 | PerforM3_InjPresG_ext3_ext | InjPress | Gain 1.1 | 'Sensor-InjPres' | 'T-ExhB4Turbo2' |

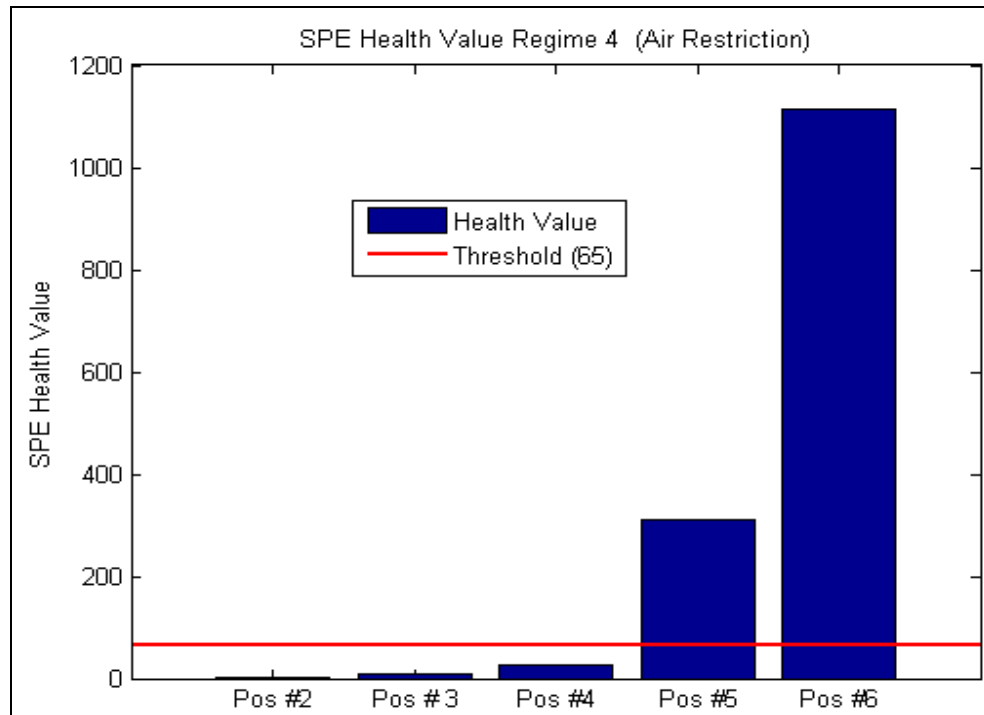


Figure 8. SPE health value for differing levels of air restriction (Regime 4).

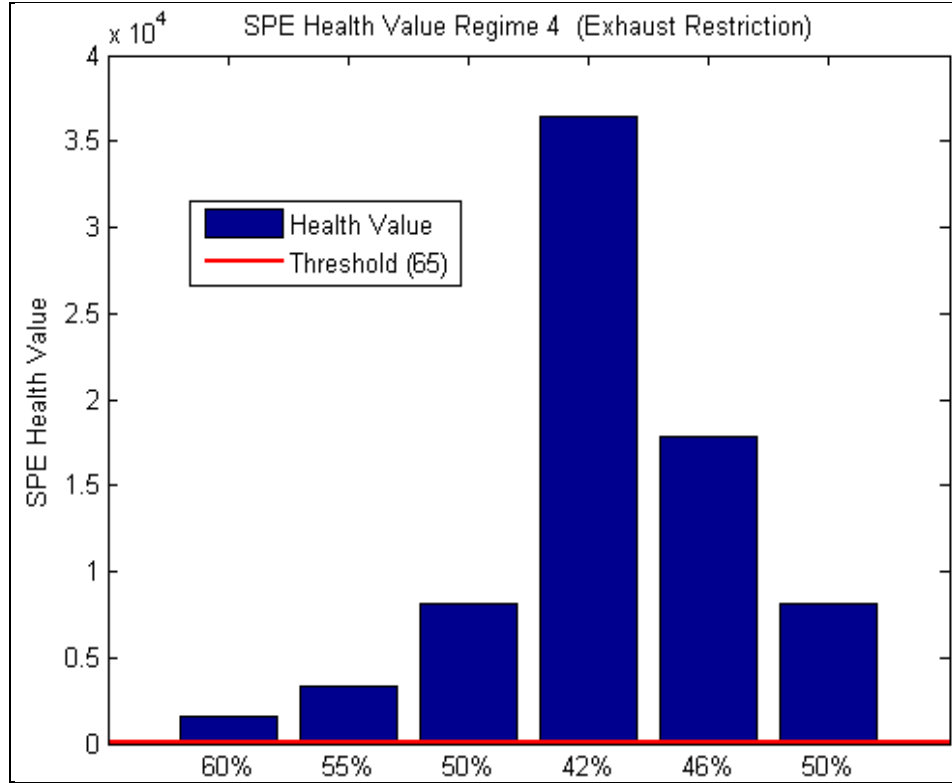


Figure 9. SPE health value for differing levels of exhaust restriction (Regime 4).

5. Discussion

The AANN monitoring method can be considered a nonlinear version of the PCA method. This method was examined because of the suspected nonlinearity in sensor correlations, and, hence, its potential benefit. However, very little difference is seen in the detection rate between AANN and PCA. The sensor correlations are still believed to be nonlinear; however, the explanation for lack of benefit using AANN is that the “Performance” test data was acquired and analyzed at discrete set-points in vehicle operation. Consequently, the sensor correlations are likely linear within these regimes and the benefit of using AANN was not realized. Regarding network architecture and analysis, the selection of the number of nodes in the mapping/de-mapping and bottleneck layers are model parameters that can be varied to optimize the AANN monitoring method. In general the mapping/de-mapping layer nodes have less of an effect than bottleneck layer nodes (6), and were not varied because it was seen that the number of bottleneck layer nodes had little effect on the results. However, one of the drawbacks of using the AANN method is that it is difficult to generalize on what are the optimum number of nodes in the bottleneck layer and in the mapping and de-mapping layers.

6. Conclusion and Recommendations

The AANN results for the detection rate are very good, and the fault severity corresponded with the SPE health value. The results for AANN and normal PCA (linear) were quite similar, with an almost identical false positive and detection rate. Because AANN is much more computationally intensive, we concluded that for the data set analyzed, PCA statistics provide a better method of obtaining health values. A potential option for future work would be to compare PCA and AANN using the “MiniMap” series of runs, which is more suitable to analyze as a single data set without separation into regimes. In this case, any correlation nonlinearities should be “active” and the AANN method would be expected to perform better than PCA. Finally, as in the previous report ARL-TR-5677, reference 1, it should be pointed out that the engine testing was not seeded fault testing in a traditional sense; that is, the “seeded faults” were temporary perturbations in operating conditions and were not known to cause degradation in engine performance (let alone permanent damage). Consequently, what is “detected” in this work are these perturbations; additionally, the missed detections are at the lower levels of these perturbations. With this in mind, both the PCA and AANN analysis should be considered as performing very well.

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List of Symbols, Abbreviations, and Acronyms

| | |
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| AANN | autoassociative neural network |
| ARL | U.S. Army Research Laboratory |
| CAN | controller-area network |
| DAQ | data acquisition system |
| Dyno | dynamometer |
| PCA | Principal Component Analysis |
| ROC Curve | receiver operating curve |
| SPE | Square Prediction Error |
| TARDEC | U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center |

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